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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 18 August 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment does not effect the intent/acts of the claim, but makes a logical correction to the claim structure, as in claim 83 "determining" more properly refers to the preceding evaluation step(d), not the calculation step(c) of claim 83.

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